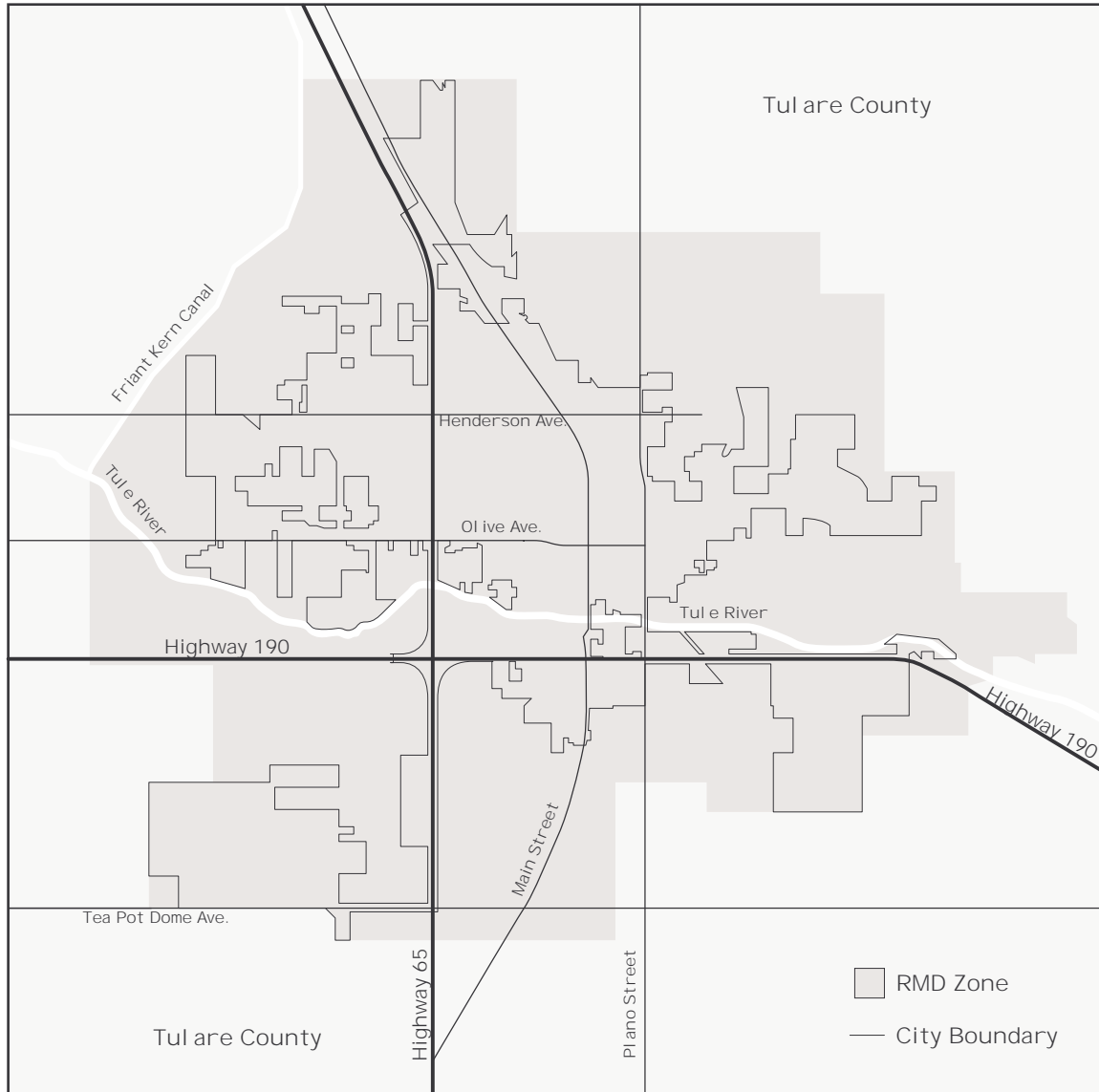




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CITY OF PORTERVILLE RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT ZONE



ZONE INFORMATION

The City of Porterville Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) is located at the base of the Sierra Nevada foothills and serves as the regional trade center for southeast Tulare County and northern Kern County. The nearest metropolitan centers are Bakersfield, 50 miles to the south, and Fresno, 70 miles to the northwest. The zone contains approximately 45 square miles and is defined as the area within the City of Porterville Urban Area Boundary. The economy has been traditionally based on agriculture and agriculturally-related industries.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

California Recycling Market Development Zones are designated by the Integrated Waste Management Board. The Board offers low-interest loans up to \$1 million, technical assistance on financing strategies, and assistance in marketing zones nationally and internationally. For more information on this program and other market development programs, contact the Board's Recycling Business Assistance Branch at (916) 255-1000.

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TARGET MATERIALS

Material types selected as the primary targets include paper, yard waste/compost, wood waste, plastics, and glass.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Interstate 5 and Highway 99 offer ready access to both Northern and Southern California. A well-developed transportation network links the area with major interstate Highways 65 and 190. The Southern Pacific and Santa Fe railroads provide freight service for the central business district and service to the industrial areas. Twenty local trucking firms provide daily agriculture and freight hauling services to San Francisco and Los Angeles.

INCENTIVES

Local incentives include those offered through both the Recycling Market Development Zone and the State Department of Commerce Enterprise Zone programs. They include, in part, funding for capital improvements within the zone; Community Development Block Grants; a development fee payment plan whereby fees may be structured into a no-interest installment plan; and Permit and Industrial Development Revenue Bond fee waivers within the Enterprise Zone.

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